What Will People Say?

A Romance of New York Society and -: of a "Poor Man's' Adventures :-By Rupert Hughes

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The first and rather sighed than smiled:

"T'm glad you like me."

Just in time the music came to an abrupt end, and the danse macabre was alone. But the floor still wheeled be neath his feet, and he staggered as he held her limp and swaying body.

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Ethe shook the dizziness from her forbes and Persis; they could not estable the forbes.

The music was a facile conductor of electricity, and Persis was not divine enough to be above ticklishness. Shudders of exquisits tormant ran through her before she could smatch her foot away. And before she could she foot away. And befor

heid her limp and swaying body.

The music was a love-philter to forbes, and put away his arm, but seized tagain. He supported her to the table and guided her to a seat. Then he caught up a glass and put it to her sympathy of mind and body, in a kind of epic dance.

caught up a glass and put it to her wan mouth.

Ten Eyck, who had been watching them from his place, shoved a chair against Forbes's relaxing knees, and set a tail glass in his hand, saying:

"GGad, old man, you need a drink!"

Forbes took a guip of a highball and sat staring at Persis. Ten Eyck was quietly dipping his fingers into his own glass and flicking water on Persis's face. She regained her self-control wonderingly. Her lips tried pluckily to smile, though her eyes studied Forbes with a kind of terrified anger—more at herself than at him. He met them with a gaze of aderation and dread. Persis Cabot was the wonder of her world for being at the same time so cordial and so cold, so lightly amused, so extravagant. She was thought to be incapable of losing either her head or her heart. Mrs. Neff called her "fire-proof."

Ensiee was universally accepted

for the sudience on his right, but he was love you."

She was a comming on of beauty unacorned and most adorned. An aura seemed to transpire mistily from for the standard about her.

But take can play the clown as well as the tragedian and accomplish as such by an absurd accident as by subporate glooms.

"I wish I dured to tell you that?"
"Men are always telling you that?"
"Mo not always—once or twice."
"No not always—once or twice."
"No we have you sure?"
"There's nothing I'm surer of than that."
"Does that the mean that you are not supported to tell you that I wish I dured to the I wish I wish

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expected of you."

"How would you like to to give expected of you."

"I wish I dared to tell you that I the party and order the fodder? I could get up a mess for my company, but I'm afraid I couldn't feed you but I'm afraid I couldn't feed you people to your liking."
"It's the simplest thing in the world.
Just go to the Blank Hotel and ask Fernand. Tell him I'm coming.

proue-looking men overcoated and maffared. The head unber directed his up a trief fifth of steps, and an unclocked a down and the long of the fifth of steps, and an unclocked a down and the long of the fifth of steps, and an unclocked a down and the long of the fifth of steps, and an unclocked a down and the long of the fifth of steps, and an unclocked a down and the long of the fifth of steps, and an unclocked a down and the long of the fifth of steps, and an unclocked a down and the long of the fifth of steps, and the fifth of steps, and the fifth of steps, and the steps, and the fifth of steps, and the fifth of steps, and the fifth of steps, and the steps, and the fifth of steps, and the steps, and father was leaving for Chicago on the father was leaven by She would barely bave him to his hotel, and creet back into her good-by. She would barely bave him to his hotel, and creet back into him to his hotel, and creet back into the desprted next or romance. The taxleab turned slowly around. As it passed the house again, Forbes saw home. She insisted that he should not leave his guests. Winifred and Mrs. leave his guests. Winifred and Mrs. another car stop at the curb. From an another car stop at the curb. From the guest of the stepped Willie Enslee.

The motor caravan was made up and the closurers back into "I reckon not, san "You understand me, don't you, old "You understand me, don't you

Fortes bade them good-by rather of three machines. Winifred ran her awkwardly. He regretted the disorder of his exit as a host, but he would not forfeit this chance to be alone with The same and same that the case of the same and same that the case of the same that the same and a same and a

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"You understand me, don't you, old long. There's no need for further de-

nity he heard her thush her fingers, and looked up to find her fully dressed, all keengt and shiny-faced and precise. She held out beseeching paims for her cap, but he pocketed it and commanded her to descend. She left the wisdow with a look of angry amusement, and he knew that she was yielding to his orders.

It was his first command, and she had obdyed it.

He siptoed along the grass around to the door, and met her in the living-rowst. And as soon as he met her he set his arms about her. But she was amost sullen as she pushed him away.

"I won't have it!" she said, with a harghness that shocked him. "It's too early in the morning. And I don't like it. And I don't want goesip est going. And you must be doubly circumspect. And that reminds met where it my paper."

"The going to keep it."

"You are perfectly visible from the house."

"The my pocket next my heart."

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"You have to meet to december the coffee was, and the coffee was, and the coffee was, and the coffee was, of the pot and if there were any fire."

"Let's look into the kitchen."

For bee soon had a fire snapping under on lid of the range, and resish hunted through outpoards and close test till she discovered a coffee pet, avidently belonging to the servater dining room, and a canister half full of coffee.

"I'd be willing to do this every morning—for you—for us," he ventured, his heart thumping at its own dauntlessnass.

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She evaded the impiled proposal as she ransacked a cabinet. "I fancy it would rather lose its charm in time. As a regular thing I like to see breakfast brought up on a tray by a nice-looking, mald."

They sat at the kitchen table. The coffee was not good, really; but she found it amusing, and he thought it was ambrosia. He impiled once mere that he longed to make the arrangement permanent. "I wish you'd quit proposing before breakfast," she said. "I feel very material in the morning, anyway, and I'm having a buily time. I'm feeling far too sensible to listen to any nonsense about the simple life. I can enjoy a bit of rough road as we'll as anybody. I can turn in and work or de without, or dress in rageanything for a plcnic—for a while. But the year anything for a plcnic—for a while work or do without, or dress in rageanything for a plcnic—for a while we'll as a regular thing—ugh!"

"Or course they are. That's why everybody wants to be rich."

"Gut the rich aren't contented."

A little shiver agitated her like a flaw of wind running along a calm lake. "It's get out in the sunshine said. "Let's get out in the sunshine said. "Let's get out in the sunshine and quit talking poverty. We're neight ther of us poor—yet."

She rose and moved out to the kitchen porch, and, round the house, up a sweep of stairs to the main ter-wind and contents. There is an ead to it, then "are said and in so doing Ferbes the table and in so doing Ferbes the table and in so doing Ferbes the table and in set on her feet up the pieces. He began:

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HAT evening, while the others were dancing, Forbes

about a night like this in a stuffy room," "Yes: but-but my alippers are all

"If you told them all good-s His and went to your room and changed your slippers, and came out later, and

were crasy enough to do as you say you would spoil it all—you wouldn't

"I solemnly promise that I will not annoy you. I will not presume to-to kiss you unless you ask me to."

"You were in the Spanish war?
Really! I didn't know you were so old "I wasn't so old then. I'm very ancient now."

She mused aloud: "They say a husband should be ten years older than his wife."

"I'm sorry I kept you waiting so long. There's no need for further delay."

"In those battles of yours," she continued, "were you ever by any chance wounded or killed or anything?"

"I was never killed entirely," he answered, "but I stopped a few bits of lead."

"She shuddered and caught his arm with a rush of sympathy none the less flerce for being belated "Wounded! You were wounded?"

"I was yelling something to my ser-